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SUBJ: MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SIAD

1. AT CLOSE OF LONG TALK WITH SOMALI PRESIDENT SIAD APRIL 12, I ASKED IF HE WAS FINALLY DISABUSED OF SUSPICIONS OF US HOSTILITY AND MACHINATIONS AGAINST HIS REGIME. " THINGS HAVE IMPROVED SINCE YOUR ARRIVAL," HE REPLIED, " BUT THEY COULD BE BETTER."

2. SIAD SAID THAT HE WOULD BE LESS THAN FRANK IF HE DID NOT ADMIT THAT " MANY SOMALIS" BELIEVED THAT THEIR PRESENT DIFFICULTIES WITH ETHIOPIA WERE GREATLY AGGRAVATED BY US MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO IEG.

3. PRESIDENT STATED SOMALI AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW AHMED MOHAMED ADEN (FORMER AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON) HAD RECENTLY BEEN HERE AND HAD SPOKEN FAVORABLY OF ME. AMBASSADOR ADDOU HAD ALSO WRITTEN SIAD SAYING DEPARTMENT WAS WELL DISPOSED AND WILLING TO WORK AND COOPERATE WITH SOMALIA. I CONFIRMED THIS WAS TRUE AND SAID ADDOU DOING A GOOD JOB.
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